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TITLE: A BACKLIGHTING LIGHT PIPE FOR ILLUMINATING A FLAT-PANEL
DISPLAY

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AUG - 9 2001
TC 2800 MAIL ROOMAssistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 1, 2001,
please amend this application as follows:IN THE CLAIMS: ✓

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1. (Amended) A light pipe for providing backlighting
of a flat-panel display by means of at least one light source,
comprising:

first surface, said surface including patterns having
diffractive properties for coupling light out from the light
pipe, said patterns comprising uniform, mutually different
areas distributed on said first surface.

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